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Carnahan Honored for "Improving the Lives of Working Families"

(Washington, DC) - Rep. Russ Carnahan (MO-03) has once again been named one of Working Mother Magazine's "Best in Congress" for his leadership in improving the lives of working families. It is the second time in a row that Carnahan's accomplishments on behalf of working families have been recognized by the publication.

"I'm incredibly humbled by this honor," Carnahan said. "My number one priority throughout my career has been to deliver for Missouri's working families. Especially as we rebuild our economy, we must make sure we are doing everything we can to help families."

Carnahan is one of 30 House and Senate Members from both parties being honored this year. The award, which is sponsored by Working Mother Media and Corporate Voices for Working Families, is in recognition of leadership and accomplishments in supporting working families through legislation and advocacy. Equally important, it also recognizes those members of Congress who practice what they preach - employing family-friendly policies in their own offices. Recipients of the Best of Congress Award are featured in the August/September 2010 issue of Working Mother magazine and at www.workingmother.com.

"The recipients of the Best of Congress Award serve as models for what can be accomplished through legislation and a personal commitment to policies that benefit working families," Donna Klein, CEO and Executive Chair of Corporate Voices, said. "As our nation continues to face a number of economic and other issues involving working families, these members of Congress deserve to be congratulated and recognized nationally for their leadership, advocacy and support of best-practice family-friendly workforce policies."

"Not only did we judge the esteemed members on their voting records for supporting working

families, we also examined the benefits that their own employees receive like paid leave and flextime," Carol Evans, CEO, Working Mother Media, said. "There are no rules about flextime or paid leave for Congressional staff. They are stepping up voluntarily because they believe in progressive policies and act on their beliefs in the real world managing their staff."

Recipients of the Best of Congress Award are featured in the August/September 2010 issue of Working Mother magazine and at www.workingmother.com. Carnahan was also recognized by the publication in 2008, the last time the award was held.

Applications were reviewed by a bipartisan steering committee co-chaired by Ted Childs, Founder and Principal of Ted Childs, LLC and Jane Swift, Founder and Principal of WNP Consulting, LLC and former Governor of Massachusetts. Other steering committee members are Pat Schroeder, former President and CEO of the Association of American Publishers and former Congresswoman from Colorado; and Deborah Pryce, attorney at Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice and former Congresswoman from Ohio.

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About Corporate Voices for Working Families

Corporate Voices for Working Families is the leading national business membership organization representing the private sector on public and corporate policy issues involving working families. A nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, we improve the lives of working families by developing and advancing innovative policies that reflect collaboration among the private sector, government and other stakeholders.

To create bipartisan support for issues affecting working families, we facilitate research in areas spotlighting the intersecting interests of business, community and families: workforce readiness, family economic stability, flexibility in the workplace, and work and family balance. Collectively our 50 partner companies, with annual net revenues of more than \$1 trillion, employ more than 4 million individuals throughout all 50 states.

Our website: www.corporatevoices.org

About Working Mother Media

Working Mother magazine reaches 2 million readers and is the only national magazine for career-committed mothers; WorkingMother.com brings to the Web home and career information, advice and a broad range of solutions daily. This year marks the 25th anniversary of Working Mother's signature research initiative, Working Mother 100 Best Companies, the most important benchmark for work-life practices in corporate America. Working Mother Media, a division of Bonnier Corp. (www.bonnier.com), includes the National Association for Female Executives (NAFE, www.nafe.com), Diversity Best Practices (www.diversitybestpractices.com), the WorkLife Congress and the Multicultural Women's Conference and Leadership Summits. Working Mother Media's mission is to serve as a champion of culture change.